

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus for receiving and securing an item, comprising:
 - a slide card comprising an engaging element and only one tray receiving area;
 - only one pre-formed tray, attached to said tray receiving area, configured to receive and hold portable items;
 - an outer sleeve configured to receive said card and attached tray, comprising a locking element configured to connect with said engaging element at a locking position; and,
 - a release element integral to said outer sleeve, configured to disconnect said engaging element from said locking element.
2. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said card is constructed of a first material and said tray is constructed of a second material.
3. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 2, wherein said second material is plastic.
4. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said engaging element is positioned on said tray.
5. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said tray comprises receiving recesses configured to receive and secure said portable items.
6. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein said outer sleeve

further comprises an interior aperture configured to connect said engaging element at a stopping position.

7. (Currently amended) An apparatus for receiving and holding an item, comprising:

a slide card constructed of a first material, comprising at least a first panel and only one tray receiving area located on said first panel;

only one pre-formed tray constructed of a second material and comprising receiving recesses defined by said tray, a given said only one tray being attached to said card at said tray receiving area; and

an outer sleeve defining a void, comprising an open end configured to permit said card and attached tray to translate in and out of said void.

8. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein said slide card further comprises an engaging element connected to at least one of said first panel and said tray.

9. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 8, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a locking element configured to releasably connect to said engaging element at a locking position.

10. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 9, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a release configured to disconnect said engaging element from said locking element.

11. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 10, wherein said outer sleeve further comprises a stopping element configured to connect to said engaging element at a stopping position.

12-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently amended) A foldable tray card formed of contiguous panels, comprising:
- an engaging panel defined by a first edge and spaced apart hinge;
 - a second panel defined by said hinge and a spaced apart second edge;
 - a single tray integral to said second panel;
 - receiving recesses located within said single tray, configured to receive and hold items; and
 - a third panel hingedly attached to at least one of said second edge and said tray, said third panel being configured to fold over and cover said recesses.
18. (Currently amended) The card of claim 17, wherein said panels and said tray are constructed using a thermo-forming process.
19. (Currently amended) The card of claim 17, wherein said panels and said tray are constructed using an injection molding process.
20. (Currently amended) A method of resisting access to an item, comprising the steps of:
- providing a slide card comprising a base panel;
 - attaching a single pre-formed tray comprising receiving recesses to said base panel;
 - providing an engaging element associated with at least one of said card and said tray;
 - placing items in said single tray;
 - providing an outer sleeve with an open end and adjacent void, said sleeve further comprising a locking element;
 - aligning said card with said open end;
 - orienting said engaging element with said locking element; and
 - inserting said card and tray fully into said void;
 - causing said engaging element and said locking element to releasably connect.

21. (Previously presented) The method of claim 20, wherein said step of providing an outer sleeve further comprises providing an outer sleeve having a release element, said release element being configured to disconnect said engaging element and said locking element.

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 21, further comprising the step of manipulating said release element to withdraw said tray at least partially from said void.

23. (Currently amended) The method of claim 22, further comprising the step of withdrawing said items from said recesses.

24. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 5, wherein said recesses include a resistance element configured to resist removal of an item therefrom.

25. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 24, wherein the resistance element is one of a locking flap, an indentation, a strap, and an insert.

26. (Currently amended) The apparatus of claim 7, wherein said receiving recesses are configured to receive and secure portable items therein.

27. (Currently amended) The card of claim 17, wherein said receiving recesses are configured to receive and secure portable items therein.

28. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein said receiving recesses are configured to receive and secure items therein.

Remarks

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be entered and the present application be favorably reconsidered in view of the amendments and of the reasons which follow.